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**SOME SOUND ADVICE.**  
Why Every Farmer Should Know Exactly What He Does.  
An exchange says correctly that it is important in feeding animals through winter to have a full supply, and then adds: "It is very difficult to gauge the amount of feed that will be necessary for the stock for any considerable length of time, and in order to avoid any risk it is best to keep a good supply." This we regard as a mistake into which many farmers fall, namely, that of collecting or reserving an indefinite quantity of grain and fodder, not knowing at all where or when it will land them when it is all consumed at some indefinite future. As we have recommended for many years, there is no difficulty in ascertaining the amount on hand, and in determining the rate at which animals consume it, the farmer may arrive at a tolerably accurate knowledge on those points, the chief uncertainty being in the weather, whether mild or severe, or of short or long continuance; but even here the careful farmer who understands arithmetic, and who by sufficient shelter keeps his animals as comfortable in severe as in mild weather, will find little difficulty.  
Take a few examples. By counting his loads of hay when drawing in from the meadow, he may have a fair estimate of how much he has secured. Or, if he cannot do this, he may measure the amount in his barn, compute the cubic feet and divide by 500 for compact or pressed timothy, or by 700 if the hay is clover, for the number of tons he has on hand. Then weigh the hay he feeds to his animals each day for a few days, and he will easily know how fast they are consuming his supply. Or, if he does not want to take this trouble, and cares less for strict accuracy, he may ascertain or estimate the aggregate of his animals, and allow about three pounds of hay daily for each hundred pounds of animals. This, by a little practice, will enable him to make supply and demand meet, more accurately than many actually accomplish. If grain is largely fed, it will somewhat modify the result. The supply of other kinds of food may be determined in a similar manner. Turnips, carrots, or other roots may be estimated without difficulty. This will be better and easier than the attempt to secure feed for starving horses and cattle by being thrown out of food in a scarce, stormy, or difficult time in winter.  
The grain supply is easily and readily measured in granulated bins where the eye sees at a glance by the large and distinct numbers on the compartments of the granary just how much they contain at any time. If care is taken for uniform and regular feeding, the owner may know at once from the two measurements how long his grain or meal will last. Corn-cobs may be measured, and the number of cubic feet they contain ascertained, and then by multiplying the cubic feet by 8 and dividing the product by 5, we learn the number of heaped bushels. Marking the bushels at different heights will enable any one to see at a glance how much there happens to be on hand.  
But computations of this character should not stop here. There should be a correspondence between the amount of feed raised on the farm, and the amount needed for the animals to carry them through. Rigidity accuracy is more difficult here in making estimates in advance, because the amount is so much controlled by weather. Farms, however, in a high state of cultivation, are less affected in their crops by wet seasons or droughts. It may be well, therefore, after the crops are secured in autumn, to make a second examination, in the manner we have described,

and to act accordingly, either by selling feed, purchasing animals, or the reverse, in order not to have too great a surplus of one or the other for the best profit. This will be better than to do as some farmers, by selling grain or feed early, and then being compelled to buy again before the spring has passed. As a nearly universal rule, it is better to have a surplus of feed than too many animals, because a needless amount of hay or grain will do no harm, or may be easily disposed of in future; but a surplus of animals, requiring the owner to place them on short allowance, is a most unfortunate policy.—Country Gentleman.

**NOTHING GOING ON.**  
News From Dry Fork Contributed to an Arkansas County Paper.  
Rain.  
River rising.  
People are clearing up new ground.  
Eggs are scarce, but prospects are good.  
Dan Boyd chopped off three of his toes with an axe day before yesterday.  
Uncle Billy Marsh has the thanks of ye correspondent for a mass of squirrels.  
Old Bob Malone is dead.  
Bill Potts killed a wolf last Sunday.  
Abe Firestone is a liar.  
Nat Pool and Joe Green had a fight Wednesday. Nat is dead.  
Bob Parker was drunk Saturday.  
Miss Bettle Sawyer is the best looking girl in the neighborhood.  
A promise to knit ye correspondent a pair of socks.  
John Blue is dead.  
Revival going on at Short's meeting-house.  
Sandy Scroggins fell in the creek Monday and was drowned.  
News is scarce.  
Frolle at Jim Mayberry's Tuesday.  
Somebody shot Jim and hurt him mightily.  
Ned Doyle killed his uncle, Pat Bransontine, day before yesterday.  
Nothing of interest is going on in our neighborhood.  
Sam Myers shot Jesse Jones Sunday. The boys laughed.  
Our neighborhood hasn't been so quiet in six months.  
Tobe Spencer set fire to old Biddle's house one night last week. Biddle shot him.  
The boys expected a lively season this winter.  
Old Boylston is dead.  
Bill Sevier got drunk Sunday and shot his cow.  
Every thing is quiet.  
Oliver Smith is a liar.  
Dan Pelt is no more. A wild hog settled him.  
Protracted meeting will begin at Martson's next Sunday. We've got a new preacher. His name is Wilson. He is popular with our people, and will, we think, do a great work for the church.  
Old Mrs. Ralston grabbed up some hot water the other day and scalded Sim Bumpas.  
Our neighborhood is threatened with boy chokers.  
Maggie Brown fell off her horse Saturday and split her head open. He's dead.  
Mike Brady has got a new suit of clothes.  
John Filpot killed Jack Watson day before yesterday.  
Sorry I have no news. If any thing happens I will let you know.—Arkansas Traveler.

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**JOSH BILLINGS' SAYINGS.**  
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I don't know or a better cure for sorrow than low pig sumpdy else.  
Ignorance is the wet nuss of prejudice.  
Anticipation is constantly nibbling expected pleasure until it consumes it; just so the school boy, who visits his basket during the forenoon too often, has already dismounted his dinner.  
I never knew a man troubled with melancholy, who had plenty to dew, and did it.  
Good breeding, as I understand it, is giving every man his due, without robbing yourself.  
Nature is just as honest as a cow.  
Talk little, but listen out loud, young man, is the way few make the company suspect you—I mean, suspect you of knowing a grate deal more than you actually do.  
If you should reduce the wants of the people of New York city to actual necessities and plain comforts you would have two double the perfect force to keep them from committing suicide.  
People when they find fault with themselves are generally more anxious to be consoled than forgiven; and, therefore, when a man begins to confess his sins to man, "there ain't no hops for me," I tell him he ought to know about it, and I guess he's more than half right.  
What the world wants is good examples, not so much advice; advice may be wrong, but examples prove themselves.  
Pride is bygone. Adam at one time had a right to be proud, but he let sin beat him out of his birth-right.  
As a general thing the man who marries a woman or more uppers than himself, will find the woman more anxious to preserve the distance between them than to bring him up to her level.  
Titles are valuable; they make us acquainted with many persons who otherwise would be lost among the rubbish.  
Habits are like the wrinkles on a man's brow; if you will smooth out the one it will smooth out the other.  
Peace is the soft and holy shadder that virtue casts.  
It is a damned sight easier to find six men who can tell exactly how a thing ought to be, than to find one who will do it.  
Marrying for money is a meaner way to get it than counterfeiting.  
Dispatch is taking time by the ears. Hurry is taking it in the end of the tail.  
The miser who hoaps up gains few gleams over is like a hog in a pen, fattened for a show.  
It is a grates art to know how to listen.  
This seems to be about the way it is did. When we were young, we ran into difficulties, and when we got old we fell into them.  
Love seems to have this effect. It makes a young man sober and an old man gay.—N. Y. Weekly.

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**SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY.**  
—The Electrical World thinks that electrical heating will, at no distant day, supplant all other methods in cities.  
—The number of muscles in an elephant's trunk, according to London medical authorities, is 33,122, and he has uses for each and every one of them.  
—A new industrial school, the first of its class in the West, has just been established in St. Louis. It is for the purpose of teaching the art of engraving on wood, and night sessions only are held.  
—In a machine which has come into use in France for testing steel railway tires, a succession of blows similar to those delivered by means of a sledge hammer are given to the tires in place on their wheel centers and revolved on rollers.  
—By spraying the regions of the external ear with ether, Drs. Henocque and Fride, of Paris, render the dental nerves insensible, and extract teeth without pain or general anesthesia.  
—In regard to the preservation of timber, the Timberman says: "Go back to the ancient forestry rules for cutting timber, extant in Norway, France, Germany and Britain, in A. D. 900, and timber will live for ages. That was simply to never cut oak, ash, yew or fir for ship building or weather exposed purposes earlier than May or later than August."  
—Experiments made for the French Minister of Agriculture indicate that sugar is a better preservative of meat than salt. It is more expensive, but the powdered sugar forms a coating retaining the juices of the meat without loss, while the nutritive qualities of the meat are considerably lessened by the salt.  
—The latest method of increasing the speed of vessels is a screw which is so designed that the center lines of two following blades form spirals running in opposite directions. The blades are so curved that one has its leading part near the periphery, the other has it near the center, so that each blade cuts into the water in advance of the following. It is claimed that greater speed results.  
—At a recent meeting of the American Oculistologists' Union, Mr. Ernest Thompson, of Canada, said that some birds, especially sparrows, have ventricular powers. Birds, when surprised in the act of singing will be silent for a moment, and then give forth a faint song that seems to come from a distance, though the singer be not further than ten feet away. Thrushes and robins, the lecturer said, also have this power.  
—A better substitute, better clothing and better shelter are now obtained with shorter hours of work and less arduous effort than ever before by all who have aptitude and industry coupled with mental capacity which is required to enable them to adopt the new methods. Such must be the necessary conclusion from a comparison of the conditions of the present generation with the one next preceding it.—Edward Atkinson, in Forum.

—At Halle, Germany, the skeleton-like, fibrous covering of a species of tropical cucumber is now being converted into a substitute for sponge, and is already being exported in immense quantities to England and other countries. The curious substance is known as loofah. It is not only valuable as an adjunct to the bath, but is found useful for making inside soles for shoes, and is being applied to the under side of saddles.  
—The president of the British Pharmaceutical Conference recommends the following plan for the humane dispatch of poultry: "A large, wide-mouthed, stoppered bottle is kept charged with an ounce of chloroform. When a chicken has been sentenced to death, it is held firmly under the left arm, and its head slipped into the mouth of the bottle. A few inspirations follow and the bird, without a struggle, becomes unconscious. Then, holding it by its legs, its neck is dislocated by a quick stretch."

**ANOTHER HERCULES.**  
He Halls From Chelsea, Mass., and Can Lift Eighteen Hundred Pounds.  
There is a broad-shouldered, dark-complexioned man in Chelsea who, it is claimed, is the strongest man in the county, if not in the State. He has been a physical giant from boyhood. When a mere youth he used to amuse himself by lifting a barrel of flour, putting it on his shoulder and carrying it around the block. Later he would shoulder a barrel of sugar and carry it up two flights of stairs and bring it down again, just for the fun of it.  
When he was twenty-one years of age he celebrated his coming of age by lifting a set of quarry cart-wheels, including axle and pole, and lugging the whole lot, weighing 1,100 pounds, a quarter of a mile. After that his feats of strength were numerous. He held two men, weighing 160 pounds each, at arm's length, holding one in each hand. Bending big crowsbars and pulling up sapling trees six inches through the hole of a saw, were ordinary pastimes for this young Samson.  
The crowning feat of his life happened a few years ago, when he was a carpenter and worked on a new block then building in Chelsea. The workmen had been trying to hoist a big iron girder into its place on the second story. The girder had square edges and weighed 1,800 pounds. The ropes which had been placed around it were cut in two by the sharp edges as soon as the tackle was hauled taut. Finally, in desperation the foreman sent for a chain. While the man was gone Mr. Houston shouldered the girder and took it up the ladder and placed it in position.  
"It hurt my shoulders some," said he, when telling of his performance, "outside of that I felt no inconvenience. I have never lifted in harness, and do not know how much I could take up, but I have an idea that I could lift as much as Dr. Winship ever did if I tried. I am a working man, and have no time for such fooling." His muscles are as hard as knots, and he looks the picture of manly strength and muscular perfection.—Boston Globe.

**Had Something to Learn Yet.**  
Young Physician (at a consultation).—I have no hesitation in pronouncing the disease angina pectoris complicated with muscular atrophy.  
Old Physician.—You haven't hey? Young man, when you have been practicing forty years you will have learned how to hesitate, sir. It is important in a case of this kind, sir, to hesitate, and it is also more professional, sir.  
Young Physician.—May I ask you, sir, what your opinion is of the disease? Old Physician (impressively).—The disease, sir, is muscular atrophy, complicated with angina pectoris.  
Young Physician (humbly).—Yes, sir.—Chicago Tribune.

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